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THE COLOR LINE

It is to be regretted that the so-called civic organizations of the several citizens associations in this city should see fit to draw the color line last Saturday. The Bee must commend the speech of Mr. A. W. Carroll as being the utterances of a manly man. But, why should the ten colored organizations feel chagrined?

By a vote of 8 to 12 it was decided that the ten colored citizens associations should be excluded, because of their color and nothing more. The members of these ten organizations possessed as much sense as the entire white organizations. These colored Americans did not attend this meeting of their own volition. They were invited to be present and be insulted. This insult is bound to react. A day of retribution will come soon. Then the colored American will show his magnanimity towards his white brethren. This national discrimination against the colored American will soon come to an end and then the white man, we mean the prejudiced white man will realize the importance and the value of his colored American brother. The white man's advocacy of moral and Christian uplift and reform are hypocritical. When there is discrimination practiced in our government no more can be expected from the ordinary citizen. The poor white man who is looked upon as the inferior of his polished and well-to-do brother must have some being to practice upon and that being is his superior colored American. It is the common and inferior classes of white people who discriminate against the colored man. All white people are not alike. Although the State of Maryland prejudiced as it is, politically against the colored man, her colored citizens are treated better, by the property interest there, than these hypocrites in this city treat their own colored citizens. The Bee would advise Mr. Carroll and his associates to organize a separate citizens' organization and where this discriminating body presents measures to Congress inimical to, and not for the benefit of all the citizens let the colored body enter its protest. Let the colored citizens learn the lesson, not to go or remain in a body when he is not wanted. The prejudiced white man will find all the room he wants in hades time enough.

The colored American will be needed soon. Don't lament.

HOWARD'S TRUSTEES

The trustees board of Howard University will soon be called upon to fill vacancies in its membership. These vacancies, as far as practical, should be filled by the election of Howard graduates or former students who have achieved success. The trustee board of this university

should be composed of men of high repute, and men who can bring something to the institution. The board membership must not be composed of politicians or constitutional office-seekers. Howard University is an institution of learning for the race, and the best interests of the race can only be conserved by having high-minded, sincere, unselfish men on the board of trustees. There are enough former Howard graduates or former students who have gone out and made an enviable reputation from which to select men, without electing some whose only qualifications consists in their estimate of themselves. Really the place should not go to any man who seeks it, but should go to some man or men who do not seek it. When a man makes a canvass for membership of the an element of weakness in that trustee board of an institution like this, it is often regarded as man, and a desire on his part to use the institution as a stepping stone to selfish ambition. The whole country regards Howard University as the leading institution of higher, or professional education for the race, and The Bee considers that for this reason, if no other, the highest type of men should compose the trustee board. Men who have never attended Howard University, and who are not themselves recognized as leading educators can bring nothing to Howard. Such members would detract from the fame and future of this great institution. By all means, The Bee pronounces in favor of some one who was a former student of Howard to fill any vacancy on the Board of Trustees; of some one who is regarded as an educator.

IN EMBRYO

Another body is in embryo. This time, the father of this infant is an officeholder. The nurses are many and their declaration is that this city is in need of a clean newspaper. A newspaper that will extol the virtues of the "tender feet" who have been favored with a government job by the administration.

There have been so many clean papers started in this town until the people have become disgusted. The infant is in embryo at present, but the wise men of the states claim that it will be born shortly and then there will be something doing. Some people have an idea that it is an easy matter to run a newspaper. Such people can always suggest to others how to run a newspaper until they attempt it themselves. However, The Bee welcomes this new infant and hopes that it will fill the long-felt want as the managers declare that it will.

THE TEACHERS CONTEST

Every week there is more enthusiasm manifested in the teachers' contest. There are several new entries this week and it is evident as the time grows the wildest interest will grow. The contest editor has decided to allow one hundred votes for every yearly subscriber; 50 votes for every six months subscriber and twenty-five votes for every three months subscriber and each coupon cut from The Bee will count one vote. All votes will be counted by competent and reliable judges. The Bee is the oldest and most reliable advocate of the rights of colored Americans in this country. June 2 next, The Bee will be thirty-one years old.

Let every friend of those teachers who are to be voted for go to work.

COLORED CENSUS ENUMERATORS

The colored enumerators for the census have been paid a high compliment here in Washington in the the announcement that their work was the best. No higher class of enumerators,

white or black, was ever put into the field than the forty odd colored enumerators appointed for the District of Columbia. The majority of them were Howard University students. They were educated young men, and young men with class to them. They were gentlemen. The Census Supervisor, Mr. Broughton, is to be congratulated on making the selection he did. And the colored enumerators are to be congratulated upon the excellency of their work. When they take another census, it is hoped that the high record made by the colored enumerators in this census will preclude the drawing of the color line, and the assigning of colored men to take colored census and white to take white, but that the enumerators will take every one on the district assigned them, without regard to race or color. If the census enumerators throughout the country could have been as bright and intelligent and gentlemanly young men as were the young colored men who enumerated in Washington the 1910 census would be beyond any criticism whatever. There never was any good excuse for segregating colored enumerators, and in view of the splendid record made by those here in Washington, no excuse whatever can be made in another decade. Give a colored man just half a chance, and he will make a record to be proud of. It's the chance they ask for, and must have.

OUR DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMAN FROM OHIO The Colored Man's Friend

We, the members of the National Colored Personal Liberty League, representing over 600,000 colored voters in the United States, and a large membership in Ohio, take great pleasure in presenting to the colored voters of the Fourteenth District of Ohio the Hon. William Graves Sharp, of Elyria, Ohio, whose cut and biography appear in this week's issue of the Washington Bee. Mr. Sharp is now serving his first term in Congress and is making a record that will speak for itself. He has a great many friends both among Republicans and Democrats on account of his kind and accommodating disposition. Mr. Sharp seldom ever misses a roll call and is always in his seat unless engaged in committee work. He is a true friend to the colored race and believes in a square deal for all men, regardless of creed or color, and we feel safe in saying that the colored voters of the Fourteenth District could not vote for a truer and more loyal friend to represent them in Congress than Mr. Sharp. It is to be hoped that Mr. Sharp will be re-elected to the 62nd Congress with an increased majority.

THE NEW RECORDER

Mr. Henry Lincoln Johnson, the new Recorder of Deeds, took the oath of office and entered upon the discharge of the duties last Monday. The Bee sincerely wishes him the greatest possible success, both because his success will spell success for the race and because it will reflect credit upon himself. Mr. Dancy, the retiring Recorder extended every possible courtesy, and made his induction into office a pleasure.

SECRETARY BALLINGER

The very interesting defence of Secretary Ballinger, by Mr. R. L. Waring will be seen on the front page of this week's issue of The Bee. Secretary Ballinger up to date has defeated his enemies and put to flight the conspirators. It is a very easy matter to make a charge but a hard matter to prove it. Mr. Waring explains the so-called Colliers' note to the satisfaction of his readers.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

A. M. E. Zion Ministers for Wash-

Free Trips to Atlantic City

FOR THE

THREE MOST POPULAR SCHOOL TEACHERS

The Washington Bee has decided to provide three great prizes for the most popular teachers in the Washington Public Schools. The contest is open to either male or female.

Each week, until July 2d, inclusive, there will appear in The Bee a coupon, entitling the holder to one vote for any one of the Washington school or Howard University teachers. In addition, for every yearly subscription received from now to the close of the contest SIXTY VOTES will be allowed; for every six months' subscription, THIRTY VOTES, and for every three months' subscription, FIFTEEN VOTES.

THREE PRIZES

The teacher receiving the highest number of votes will be given a trip to Atlantic City for 30 days, with railroad fare and board paid.

The teacher receiving the next highest number of votes will be given a trip to Atlantic City for two weeks, with railroad fare and board paid.

The teacher receiving the third highest number of votes will be given a trip to Atlantic City for one week, with railroad fare and board paid.

CONTEST CLOSES JULY 2, 1910

This is a grand opportunity for teachers to have an enjoyable outing at the most popular summer resort in America absolutely free.

THIS IS THE GREATEST OFFER

Ever made by any race newspaper—three trips, with all expenses paid to Atlantic City.

GET BUSY NOW. GET YOUR FRIENDS BUSY

And you may secure one of these delightful trips offered by The Washington Bee, the leading race newspaper in Washington.

Each week, until the close of the contest, the following coupon will appear in THE BEE. Cut it out, fill in the name of your favorite teacher, and mail it in time to reach The Bee by Tuesday of the following week.

The Bee's Teachers' Contest Coupon

One vote for.....

Teacher in the.....

..... School

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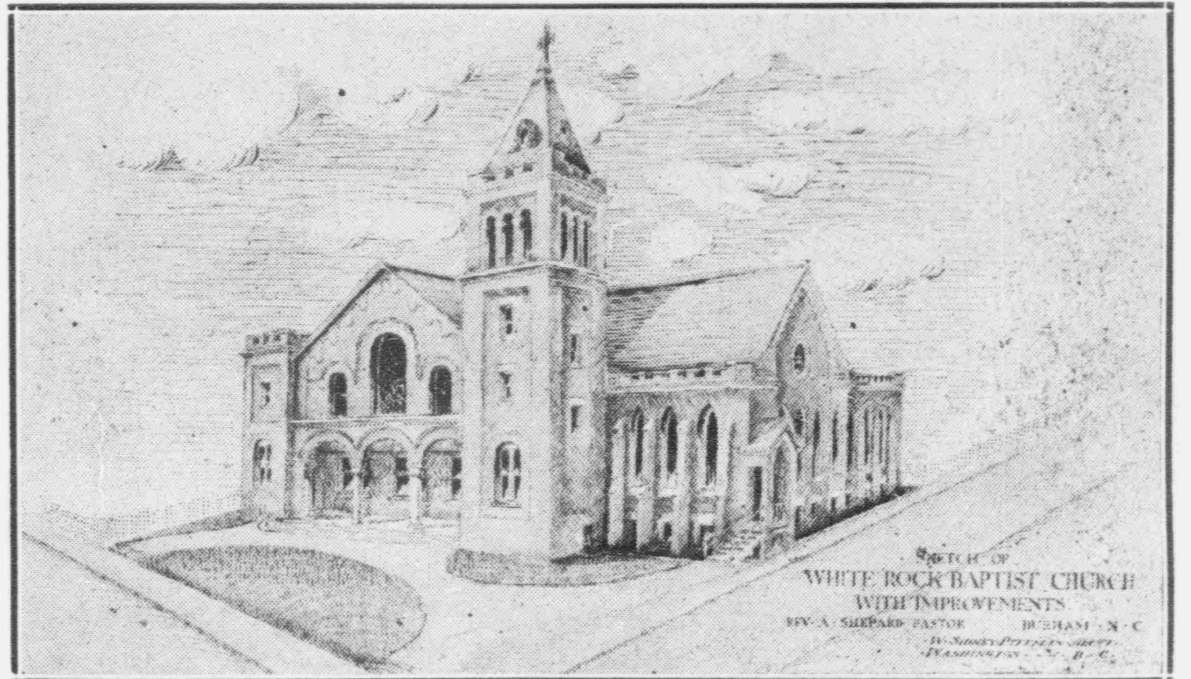
REMEMBER

The contest is open for male or female, and that it will close July 2d, 1910. The three teachers receiving the highest number of votes will be allowed to take the trip any time in July or August.

Let the votes come thick and fast for the free trip to Atlantic City for the 'most popular School Teachers.

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WHITE ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

This is the White Rock Baptist Church, of Durham, N. C., Rev. A. Shepard is pastor.

The church is to be remodeled at a

cost of twelve thousand dollars.

Mr. Sidney Pittman of this city is the architect and Mr. S. H. Bolding National Training School of which Dr. James E. Shepard is president. Mr. Bolding has the contract for this entire work.

O. Wing; Gross circuit, Md., W. H. Brown.

NEGRO SUFFRAGE DEPLORED Representative Dickinson Praises District for Sacrificing Franchise Missouri Society Hears His Favorable Opinion of Law Recently Passed in Maryland.

Representative C. C. Dickinson in an address before the Missouri Society last night in Pythian Temple deplored the existence of Negro suffrage, and in no uncertain words praised the District for sacrificing its franchise in order to solve the Negro problem.

Mr. Dickinson was deliberate in his denunciation of negro franchise and talked as a professor to a class of students. The beauty of Washington impressed him upon arriving here but he declared that when he learned that within its limits there resided about 100,000 Negroes he was amazed. When a boy, he told the society, he moved from his native heath be-

cause he would not live where there were two Negro votes to one white.

He spoke of the recent law passed in Maryland, and while he did not give his opinion as to its constitutionality, he made it plain that he thought the legislature had acted within proper bounds.

An eloquent tribute was paid to Mark Twain by James T. Lloyd, who said that it was remarkable this man who biographers termed a scholar, and which the world indorsed, never received the advantage of a school education. He spoke of the sunshine that radiated from all he said and wrote. He made a motion that resolutions in memoriam of the humorist be drafted and made a part of the records of the society. E. L. Whitney and S. H. Ridings were appointed to draft the resolutions.

Mrs. W. Streater gave several Negro dialect recitations and G. A. Lang entertained with solos.

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